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Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY 03 Total
African Growth & Opportunity Act (AGOA): Customs Assessment of Namibia	In May 2003, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials conducted a customs operations and training needs assessment in Namibia. The primary objective was to assess Namibia's compliance with the Africa Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) and identify areas that could benefit from additional training. This assessment enabled Namibia to identify training in areas that support and promote trade in general such as automation, risk management, valuation, and intellectual property rights enforcement. CBP will use the results of this assessment to develop future training in Namibia and Sub-Saharan Africa. Funded and implemented by Department of Homeland Security/Customs.	Customs Operation & Administration	16,000
Global Trade and Technology Network (GTN)	GTN is an international trade lead matching and technology transfer-network that helps Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) build trade and business linkage, identify investment opportunities and access new technologies. GTN firms are connected by an Internet-based trade lead matching platform that facilitates trade through an on-line matching of technology needs with firms that can provide the product or service requested. GTN builds the capacity of firms to engage in international trade by increasing SME access to commercial information and global markets through an all horizons trade initiative that promotes trade in any GTN country in any sector. GTN also facilitates bilateral trade and technology transfer within the United States. GTN's electronic commerce platform enables firms to establish international trade linkages such as: (1) joint ventures, (2) direct sales and purchases, and (3) agent or distributorships. Funded and implemented by USAID/Namibia.	Export Promotion	94,400
		Business Services & Training	283,200
		Tourism Sector Development	94,400
		Activity Total	472,000
ME Competitiveness Enhancement Program (SMECEP)	The Activity is conceived as a four-year two-phased initiative, which targets the development and support of new and expanding Namibian Small and Medium Enterprises (SME). The purpose is to strengthen local business services organizations and to establish new markets for Namibian products within the region and internationally. The activity will provide (1) technical assistance, (2) training, (3) Information Technology support, and (4) mentoring services to business services organizations and SMEs with growing potential to enter into export markets. Funded and implemented by USAID/Namibia.	Export Promotion	30,000
		Business Services & Training	30,000
		Activity Total	60,000

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Trans-Kalahari Corridor Project	Namibia is a resource-poor country and the Port of Walvis Bay is one of its most critical assets. This activity supports enhancement of the TransKalahari Corridor to encourage South African and Botswana exports to move through Walvis Bay. The prospect of developing reverse flows of imports via this route could give major impetus to the Namibian economy, beginning in the transport sector. This regional project is of high regional importance, and also is supportive of the Southern African Customs Union (SACU) free trade agreement (FTA) negotiations with the United States. Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency.	Physical Infrastructure Development	157,500
		Other Services Development	157,500
		Activity Total	315,000
Walvis Bay Airport Upgrade	The upgrade of this airport represents an important infrastructure project for the facilitation of trade. Upgrading the airport from its current state and adding a cargo terminal would allow Namibia to export many more products, including frozen fish. The project also ties in nicely to the TransKalahari Corridor development, which is a regional project. This project is important at this time when the U.S. enters into free trade agreement negotiations with the Southern African Customs Union (SACU). (Activity #200310033A) Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency.	Export Promotion	190,630
		Physical Infrastructure Development	190,630
		Activity Total	381,260
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